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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting therefor the following:

Section 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 23, is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

Section ___.

- (a) There is hereby created the commission on compensation. It shall be the duty of the commission to convene on or about October 1, 1999, and biennially thereafter, to make recommendations to the governor and the general assembly concerning the compensation of the governor, commissioners, constitutional officers, legislators and other officials as may be requested by the governor or speakers of the senate or house.
- (b) The commission shall consist of six members, two each to be appointed by the governor, the speaker of the senate and the speaker of the house. Commission members shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses in accordance with the comprehensive travel regulations. A commission member shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed by the appropriate appointing authority. Commission members shall not be employed by any governmental entity.
- (c) The commission shall elect such officers as it deems necessary and shall conduct its business as it may agree, provided all

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meetings and proceedings of the commission shall be subject to §8-44-101 et seq.

- (d) Upon request, the Office of Comptroller of the Treasury shall provide staff assistance to the commission in carrying out its duties.
- (e) The commission shall report its recommendation to the governor and the general assembly by December 15 each year in which it is convened and the governor shall include such recommendations and funding therefor in the recommended budget for the ensuing fiscal year.
- (f) In making its recommendations, the commission shall consider the duties and responsibilities of each official, compensation paid to others with similar duties and responsibilities both within and without the state, the need to attract and retain highly qualified individuals in state service, and the positive impact on public policy of a citizen legislature which is broadly representative of the state's population.

Section 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-1-102 is amended by deleting the phrase "eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) a year, effective on January 17, 1987" and substituting therefor the following: "one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) a year, effective on January 18, 2003".

Section 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-23-101 is amended by adding new subsections (g) and (h) as follows:

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- (g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, effective July 1, 1998, the salary of the comptroller of the treasury, the secretary of state and the state treasurer shall be one hundred three thousand dollars (\$103,000) a year. This salary may be increased by such amounts and at such times as the general assembly may determine, as provided in the general appropriation act.
- (h) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, effective July 1, 1998, the salary for those officials appointed by the governor enumerated in §8-23-101(b) and (c) shall be as fixed by the governor, subject to the availability of funds appropriated for such purpose. Provided, however, unless otherwise determined by the governor, effective July 1, 1998 the salary of the commissioner of finance and administration and the commissioner of economic and community development shall be one hundred three thousand dollars (\$103,000) a year.

Section 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106(f) is amended by deleting the language "five hundred twenty-five dollars (\$525)" and substituting therefor "one thousand dollars (\$1,000)".

Section 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-107(a)(1) is amended by deleting the existing subsection in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

(a)(1) Beginning with the election of the One Hundred First General
Assembly, each member shall receive an annual salary of twenty-one thousand

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dollars (\$21,000), payable in equal monthly installments, which shall be in addition to all other expenses and allowances provided by law.

Section 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-107(b) is amended by deleting the existing subsection in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new subsections:

- (b) In lieu of the salary provided in subsection (a), the speaker of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives shall receive an annual salary equal to sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), payable in equal monthly installments, which shall be in addition to all other expenses and allowances provided by law.
- (c) In addition to the salary provided in subsection (a), the speakers protem, the majority leaders, the minority leaders, and the majority and minority caucus chairs, of the house and senate shall receive three thousand dollars (\$3,000), which shall be in addition to all other expenses and allowances provided by law.

Section 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 35, Part 1, is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

Section ___. Notwithstanding any provision of §8-36-209 or any other law to the contrary, any individual becoming a member of the general assembly for the first time on or after November 1, 1998 shall be covered by the retirement

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eligibility, membership and benefit provisions applicable to Group 1 general state employees as provided in chapter 36, parts 2-3 of this title.

Section 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-39-202(a), is amended by deleting the words and figures "sixty-five (65)" and by substituting instead the words and figures "sixty (60)".

Section 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-39-202(b), is amended by deleting the words "sixty-fifth" and substituting instead the word "sixtieth".

Section 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-39-204, is amended by deleting the words and figures "sixty-five (65)" wherever the same may appear in said section and by substituting instead the words and figures "sixty (60)".

Section 11. Except for Section 2 hereof, this act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it. Section 2 shall become effective on July 1, 2002, the public welfare requiring it.

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